GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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REPATRIATION OF MAFIA DONS TERRORISTS
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had made a request to the Pak President during his recent visitfor repatriation of Mafia Dons/Terrorists hiding in Pakistan; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Pakistan President thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a)&(b) During the Agra Summit talks (15th & 16th July 2001), Prime Minister raised, with the President of Pakistan, the issue of terrorists and criminals guilty of heinous acts including the bomb blasts in Mumbai in 1993 and the hijacking of IC 814, currently living in Pakistan. The Pakistani authorities were asked to arrest and hand over to us such individuals, so that they can be brought to justice. During his meeting with President Musharraf, on 14th July 2001, Home Minister also raised this issue with the Pakistan President

Pakistani leaders routinely deny the presence of such individuals in Pakistan or territories under its control even though the evidence in this regard is well established.